GLINUS RADIATUS (AIZOACEAE), CHROMOSOME COUNT AND RANGE EXTENSION TO ARIZONA.—Glinus radiatus (Ruiz & Pav.) Rohrb. is a low, spreading, stellate-tomentulose, annual herb that occurs on banks of intermittent pools in desert habitats in Mexico, West Indies, Central America, South America, and Texas (Correll and Correll, Aquatic and wetland plants of southwestern United States, 1972). A collection from Baja California (Brandegee, no station cited) is mentioned by Wilson (N. Amer. Fl. 21:271. 1932) and Shreve and Wiggins (Vegetation and flora of the Sonoran Desert, 1964). This genus is not included in Arizona flora (Kearney and Pebbles, 1960), nor are any previous Arizona collections of Glinus on deposit in major Arizona herbaria. A small population of G. radiatus was recently discovered in Arizona: Maricopa Co., SE corner of sec. 2, T. 3N, R. 6E, Fort McDowell Quadrangle (USGS 7.5 minute series), 465 m, 22 Jun 1975, Lane L1576 and L1578, ASU. The plants grew on slightly alkaline, gravelly, clay and loam soil on banks of an abandoned stock tank.

In October, 1975, an additional collection was made from the same population (Keil and Lane L1785, ASU), and buds were fixed in 4 chloroform: 3 ethanol: 1 glacial acetic acid (v:v), and stored in 70% ethanol. Anthers were stained in iron-acetocarmine and squashed in Hoyer's medium. The chromosome number was determined from meiotic microsporocytes to be n=9. Mitra and Datta (Taxon 16:455. 1967) reported n=18 for G_{ν} lotoides L. and G. oppositifolia (L.) DC.; Subramanyam and Kamble (Taxon 16:343. 1967) reported the same number for the latter species. This first count for G. radiatus indicates that the base number for the genus is x=9.

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